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Corset Covers, Gowns, Drawers and Long Petticoats. Fine quality; daintily made. Fully up to the high standard of Fine quality; daintify made. Fully up to the high standar excellence characteristic of our muslin underwear.

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# Girls' Peter Thomson Suits

One-Third Under Marked Prices.

\$7.50	\$10	\$12	\$15	\$16.50
Suits	Suits	Suits	Suits	Suits
now	now	now	now	now
\$5	\$6.67	\$8	\$10	\$10.50

Regular School Suits, in blue, brown, garnet, serge and cheviot; sizes 6 to 16 years. Tailored and finished in the best manner. All this season's Suits.

Every one in the lot will be sold at a price one-third under the marked figures.

May Mapton Patterns, 10c; by mail, 12c.

## THIEVES' DEN STREWN WITH STOLEN GOODS

Got Off Car and Then

Disappeared.

RIGID INSPECTION

Quarantine Laws Respecting the Move-ment of Cattle.

Farmers and cattlemen in Virginia have been notified by the Bureau of Animal Industry, headquarters of which are in the Shafer Building, that cattle may be moved from one county to another in the quarantined sections for purposes other than immediate shaughter, from December 16, 1967 to

Ramshackle House in Fashionable

Residential Section Gathering

MYSTERIOUS GIRL

Place for Hoboes. POLICE PAY VISIT IN NIGHT

Remarkable Scene Discovered, but Cut, Bedraggled and Unkempt, Gang Had Disappeared-Officers Are Baffled.

Rat-caten, ramshackle and dreary looking, with vermin running loose belind its open doors and spiders weaving their webs from sill to ceiling, a bouse standing near the corner of and spiders well and minus her hat, a young girl boarded at Lakeside car in the rural districts last night and rode as far as Clay Street. Then she left the car and walked westward. No one knew her house standing near the corner of and no ene asked her any questions. The conductor notified a police officer a few minutes after the girl left his car, and the officer attempted to trace the mystery which is baffling the mounted police of the West End. Not much ed police of the West End. Not much over a month ago the house was rented by a family who paid the rent in advance. They left before the time was up, and no one has seen or heard of them since. After their departure the place, it is believed, became infested with a band of professional hiboes, who are seen only in the early hours of morning or late at night sneaking in and out with strange-looking bunmorning or late at night sneaking and out with strange-looking bun-

Remarkable Scene.

Mounted Officer Moody got wind of the matter, and, with Officers Krouse, Krus, Smallwood and Nuckols, visited the place last night to make investigation. All the doors were swinging wide. The only living creature which met their eyes was a lonely cow standing in a rickety stable mournfully chewing her cud. Climbing up the shaking stairs, the officers found a low-roofed, fill-smelling loft, and in it, strewn over the floor and depending from rusty nails were numberless overneats, suits of dothes, men's and women's shoes, silk handkerchiefs, hats, shirts, underclothes, socks, suspenders and almost everything to stock a good-sized clothing store.

At the southern end of the loft was a wide opening, about a man's height for purposes other than Immediate slaughter, from December 16, 1997, to March 15, 1998, inclusive.

Watchmen from the bureau are stationed on the Manchester side of the river to prevent cattle, which have not been proviously inspected, from being brought into Richmond from the southside.

The objects of the strict quarantine laws are to prevent the spread of it, Texas fever.

At the southern cond of the loft was a wide opening about a man's height from the ground, through which, it is believed, the hoboes tossed their booty tach might. In one corner stood an old dilapidated couch or sofa, covered with several thicknesses of carpet and paper, and evidently used for a bed.

But the house is open to all the winds of heaven, and how anyone could gloss in such a place without dying from exposure is beyond imagination it is very evident, however, that the building is inhabited, for in one room were found the ashes of a fire, newspapers laid out to sleep on and empty whiskey flasks, showing that though the band seems to care little for the physical comforts of life it manages, notwithstanding, to pass the might in some form of pleasure—card-playing probably.

Den of Thieves.

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last week, and two suspicious persons

# CLIMBED OVER PORCH AT MIDNIGHT

# TO TAKE UP MATTER OF SEWER CHARGES

Street Committee Will Investigate Complaints of East End Citizens.

LONG SESSION: MUCH WORK

Subcommittee on Charter Changes Will Recommend Board of Control.

Remaining in session until after 11 o'clock last night, the Council Committee on Streets discussed a great

mittee on Streets discussed a great many matters relating to municipal improvements and took more or less important action on several of them. Five other committees met in the City Hall during the eevening, but for the most part their work was routine in its nature.

Councilman C. E. Richards, of Marshall Ward, won a complete victory in his appeal for an investigation into alleged overcharges for sewer connections, the committee voting unanimously to refer the matter to a subcommittee for a full and early report.

No Charge of Wrong-Doing.

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Mr. Richards based his request for investigation upon complaints of izens in the annexed territory, who ego that they are paying two prices connecting their houses with main vers, and he said he would appear fore the subcommittee with his witness.

nesses. "I make no charges of wrong-doing," he said. "These excessive prices may result from honest mistakes, though in any event they should be stopped." Messrs, Mann, Lynch and others quickly agreed that something should be done at once about the matter. The subcommittee, which is composed of Messrs, Mann, Lynch and Don Leavy, was called to meet at the City Hall'at 8 o'clock next Friday night.

So'clock next Friday night.

Compromise Reached.

A compromise satisfactory to all parties concerned was reached with reference to the opening of an alley in the rear of Spring Street Home and the work was ordered done.

Another alley, however, provoked protracted debate. It was that between clay and Leigh, and First and Adams Streets, where the city had raised the grade far above adjoining lots, Judge D. C. Richardson represented the property owners who desire the alley restored to its former grade, and repayed. After much talk the work was ordered. SOUGHT BY POLICE

paying for alley improvements took the same course.

Mr. Lynch got through a resolution ordering the Passenger and Power Company to put the paying on Main Street between Third and Eighteenth in proper order within five days, and directing the Engineer to proceed in the Police Court if the order is not compiled with.

A large number of other matters were considered, but they were not of general interest. Owing to the increase of the work on the clerk, it was decided to have the stenographer of the Engineer's Department assist him with the record at future meetings.

For Board of Control.

The subcommittee on charter changes

The subcommittee on charter changes met yesterday afternoon, and, though, the members will not say exactly what was done, it is understood that Mr. Cary offered a resolution recommending to the Legislature that the charter be so amended as to vest in a board of control all the executive powers now in the hands of the Council and its committees.

The committee is composed of

The clerk of the Second Market was instructed to get estimates for storm doors to the vegetable market.

The ordinance providing for closing the markets at 2 P. M. was returned to the Common Council with the recommendation that it be adopted after being amended so as to provide that the fish market shall close at 12 o'clock noon except Saturdays and 10 o'clock at night on Saturdays.

The Poor Committee sat but a few moments.

Bids were opened for ninety hospital

SUND MONEY AT ONCE FOR CHRISTMAS FUND

Addedal Society expressed its sincery probably.

Den of Thieves.

The officers searched every nook and trainty, but the birds had flown, or it was too early for them, and they had not yet arrived. An open trunk was not yet arrived. An open trunk was found in another corner of the loft. This was filled with a varied assort prominent exponents of homocopy and there stuff of a nondescript character were also strewn shout the place, the whole altogether presenting a myster below the steam of the vertices of cloth. Another coat contained a handsome cut glass goblet of pretty feeting. Silk handkerchiefs were there galore. Some of the suits were new others were old, as were the shoes, of which there were numberless pairs, the head of the stairs a rusty a great was to the same of the stairs a rusty as a contained the place of the stairs a rusty as a contained and the place of the stairs were old, as were the shoes, of which there were numberless pairs, at the head of the stairs a rusty as a contained probable of pretty and the stair was found as the place of the stairs are the shoes, of which there were numberless pairs, at the head of the stairs a rusty as a contained probable of pretty and that he was one of the stairs are the contained probable of pretty and that he was one of the interest of homocopy and that he was one of the most prominent exponents of human suffers probable of the stairs and that he was one of the most prominent exponents of human suffers with the winter night entertainments. The association course committee several and the transfer had the was one of the stair that the was one of the most prominent exponents of human suffers the feeling of the stair that the was one of the most prominent exponents of human suffers the feeling of the stairs of the visual probable of the stair that the was one of the feeling and that he was one of the most prominent exponents of human suffers with the wi Winter.

There has been a very decided feelin, among members of the Y. M. C. A. that the association ought not it, drop all entertain ments. The association course committee timalimously retired for this year, and the beys have agreed to consolidate their of

# which there were numberless pairs. At the head of the stairs a rusty ax. to be used, perhaps, in case of invalion, was found. Officer Moody and his associates are puzzled to know whether all this stuff was jett by the family which so mystariously disappeared, or whether it is the collection made by a professional hend of crooks. Five men were seen to leave the place early one morning last week, and two suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning the collection that the suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning that the suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning that the suspicious persons the collection that the suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning that the suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning that the suspicious persons the suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning that the suspicious persons to leave the place early one morning that the suspicious persons to be used, and two suspicious persons to be used to be used to be used the part of the professional persons to be used the professional professional persons to be used, perhaps, in case of invalidation to be used to be us STARVING IN BARE ROOM

Ambulance Filled by Mother, Father and Three Children, Who Were Taken to City Home Yes-

bovered about Sunday morning, but disappeared when a mounted officer came into view.

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## bing Station, Escaped and Fled to West.

According to an apparently well-

passage on, to Clifton Forge, a division terminal, and thence, by the same means, to Cincinnati.

Several attempts at communication with annover Courthouse yesterday failed miserably. After trying to reach several clizens asked for, the long distance central said she could not reach Mr. Hanover (a judge was asked for), and then declared the line was out of order any way. Neither was it possible to gain any information concerning the affair in Richmond, all the

### WOULD EDUCATE THEM

Buchanan Explains Plan For Neglected

## **GIVES ADDITIONAL BOND**

## WILL NOT BE FELT HERE

Local Roads Not Affected by Demands for Increased Wages. Dispatches from Philadelphia to the effect that the executive head of sixty-five railway systems east of the Mississippi had decided not to grant demands made upon them by conductors and trainmen will not affect roads in this territory, as heretoore mentioned in The Times-Dispatch. The full list of roads upon which notice was served does not include any lines south of Washington. In this section the employes of each company have a grievance committee, through which petitions for increased pay are submitted. With the decrease in revenue, due, as calaimed, to the reduction in freight and passenger rates, the employes, were they to act in sympathy with the others, feel that this is not the piper time to seek more and employee will add materially in bringing about better conditions for all.

## THEY FOLLOWED FLEET

President Stevens and Party Witnessed Review Near Cape Henry.

President George W. Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Rallway, and a party of friends from Richmond got an excellent view of Admiral's Evans's fleet at Cape Henry yerterday. In one of the rallroad tugs they left Newport News early in the morning steamed around the warships at anchor, and then followed the Mayflower to the station where it received the salute of the passing fleet.

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Among Mr. Stevens's guests were Adjutant-General Anderson, Mr. C. E. Bollius and Colonel Barton H. Grundy. At Old Peint on Sunday General Anderson had a long chat with Admiral Evans, whom ne has known for years.

## TRIED LUNACY DODGE

Leslie West Prayed for Deliverance, but Got Six Months in Juil. but Got Six Months in Juli.

Lesile West, colored, attempted the lunney game in the Police Court yesterday morning when he was charged with stealing a bloycle from W. H. Wanzer, but the dodge did not work. West had tried it before on Bicycle Policeman Clark when the officer arrested him, but the officer managed to worm the truth from Lesile, and Justice Crutchfield was reminded of this fact. The negro thereupon prayed to God to come to his ald, but there was no appearance, and he was sentenced to six months in jail.

## WITNESSES DID NOT AGREE

# Man and Wife, After Rob-CONCERNING LETTER

According to an apparently wellfounded story which reached Richmond
yesterday, the Chesapeake and Onlo
Railroad has been systematically robbed by a temporary station master and
his wife at Hanover, and the couple
are now being trailed by Special Agent
L. L. Scheer. The fugilities have
reached Clicinnati, and Detective
Scheere went to that city on Sunday,
K presumably to find and bring them
back.
The regular agent at Hanover Station, it is said, asked a little more than
a month ago for a furlough, which
was granted him. Another man came
to Richmond and applied at head-partters for the position, to hold it in the
other's absence. He was appointed.
To economize as far as possible, the
man and his wife roomed in the station, taking their meals in a house
across the way.

The new agent was evidently an
adept at the business, for, according
to the story, he began systematically
to rob the company, using such methods as selling long distance fares for
reshorter distances and so marking the
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until the regular agent returned. He
consented, and with his wife them
moved to the house where he had been
to taking his meals. Thence, one dark
night, the couple escaped. They
walked at midnight to a nearby staty
ton, where the through trains make
regular stops, and boarded a train for
the West.

They have been traced, through the
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passage on, to Clifton Forge, a division
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The Final Word.

As the question has been thoroughly discussed in print, Dr. Lipscomb has addressed the following self-explanatory letter to The Times-Dispatch:

The coroner was notified, and upon examination it was found that Crowe had upon his person \$215.53 and two makes an attack upon ment of the Randolph-Macon Woman's College, which committee has gone out of its way to make an attack upon ment its way to make an attack upon ment its way to make an attack upon ment of the ward or 'recklessly assailed the official record of the board' or 'made a grave charge against its chief executive officer.' On the contrary, my speech at conference was in support of the minority report of the special committee charged with the consideration of the subject, which report has as one of its litems this: 'That by this request no censure is attached to any action of the present board of trustees or to the ambinistration of any institution within the Randolph-Macon system.' Had f believed Dr. Smith guilty of any dishonorable conduct, I certainly could not have speaken and oxed dead man's material the material to the report. I made no accusation against Dr. Smith, with whom I have always been upon the mest friendly terms; did not say that the letter was suppressed, or garbled, or otherwise dishonorably dealt with. I confined myself to the simple statement that to the best of my knowledge and belef the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the best of my knowledge and belef the letter of the be always been upon the mest friendly terms; did not say that the letter was suppressed, or garbled, or otherwise dishonorably dealt with. I confined myself to the simple statement that to the best of my knowledge and belief the letter printed in the Carnegie pamphlet had not been read in my hearing, and that if it had been I could not have voted as I did; Awhy it was not read I did not undertake to say. I was not attacking anybody, but simply endeavoring to explain my vote as one of the trustees in attendance upon the August meeting of the board. "What I said in an interview with your reporter over the 'phone on Saturday night, 7th of December, was that I saw no reason to recede from the position I had taken at conference. I did not know, and did not inquire what certificates, or how many, had been sont to the paper by Dr. Smith.

some points as to which I was in doubt. I became satisfied that I was mistaken as to the reading of the letter, though still unable to recall the objectionable portion of it. I then wrote Dr. Smith as follows:
Richmond, Va., Dec. 13, 1907.

Dear Mr. Smith,—I have your letter of the 9th instant, inclosing a copy of Dr. Pritchett's letter of August 8, 1906, relative to the placing of Randolph-Macon Woman's College upon the Carnegle Foundation. I thank you for affording me this opportunity to examine the letter in its entirety. I have read it carefully, and am convinced that the entire letter must have been read to the board of trustees at the August meeting in Richmond, though I cannot even now recall that portion of it that has provoked so much discussion. It is certainly true, as you say, that "when the letter is taken out of the objectionable connection in which it was placed by Dr. Pritchett in his tentative report it has a very different aspect."

# Holiday Suggestions

Full Dress and Tuxedo Suits make ideal Christmas presents, and our stock offers garments that excel in those qualities that renders them the equal of the finest to order gar-

A Gans-Rady Suit and a Knox Evening Hat make creditable companions.



# DIED ALONE IN BARE NEGROES DISCUSS ROOM: HAD LARGESU. W

sions used on the floor of the Virginia Fulton Shoemaker Expires in Irrelevant Question Threw Meet-Shop-Over \$200 Found in Pocket.

Alone, and with practically no acquaintances and friends, S. C. Crowe, about fifty-six years of age, died yesterday in his little shoe shop at No. 307 1-2 Louisiana Street, Fulton. He was feeling unwell at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and told Mrs. Bannon, who owned the house, and who had come to his shop to inquire about him, that he would like for her to return in a short time. In about an hour Mrs. Bannon went back, only to find that the old man had died as quietly and unobtrusively as he had lived.

At an open meeting preceding the conference of ministers in the Second Baptist Church, colored, a large number of megroes assembled yesterday at Colork to ratify, by popular vote, the "funeral reform" project launched last week by the Rev. Z. D. Lewis, The paper, which has been prepared by the Rev. Lewis, setting forth his deas on the question, was to be read before the assemblade, and great was nounced that it had been left at his residence. Several of those present the Rev. Lewis explained that his wife was away and the house was locked up. unobtrusively as he had lived.

ing Into Uproar-Pastors to Act Soon.

# REDD MADE MAYOR

Stole From Hospital and Ran Name Chosen for New Town, and Home Barefooted on Wintry

out of the room for a short time, and it was during her absence that Jenkins rose and garbed himself in the few clothes in which he was found.

The city ambulance was called to his home. Dr. Woodson responded and took Jenkins back to the Retreat.

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## HOLD UP HOLIDAY GIFTS

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Christmas Packages from Abroad Not Properly Sent.

Christmas packages from Abroad Not Christmas packages sent through the mails to Richmond people from foreign countries are heing held up in the Customs Department because it is unlawful to send duitable articles except by express. In case of the first offense the duty is added at the receiving office, but if it is repeated the value of the niticle is added to the double duty. Business is quite hetive in the local customs office. During the first fifteen days of December one local fertilizer concern alone paid \$3,987 on consignments of burlaps from Calcutta, India. The burlaps come in bales, and will be used in the manufacture of fertilizer bags.

STOLE WOOD

WILLIAMS'S BANK INQUIRY

Minority House Leader Offers Resolution as to Enforcing Law.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 16.—

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The following resolution, touching the issue of clearing-house certificates of clearing-house certificates.

"The Secretary of the Treasury is pipeli."

The Secretary of the Treasury is more and to what extent the normation in his possession to allow whether or not and to what extent the national banking laws are being executed during the months of November and Decembers of burlaps from Calcutta, India. The burlaps come in bales, and will be used in the manufacture of fertilizer bags.

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ett in his tentuative report it has a very different aspect."

Regretting that there should have been any misundertanding about the matter, I am, with kind regards, Yours sincerely,

B. F. LIPSCOMB.

"To-day I am in receipt of a telegram from Dr. Smith thanking me for this letter.

"In short, my connection with the matter is this: Speaking upon the floor of the conference, I made what I fully believed to be a statement of fact; when convinced by later information that I was mistaken, I have frankly said so and expressed regret that the mistake should have been made. And here the matter must rest, so far as I am concerned."

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Post-Office Authorities Auticipate Christmas Rush.

Postmaster Royal E. Cabell announced yesterday that beginning with next Thursday an additional stamp window would be operated at the Post-office, and an extre agent placed in packages weighed and mailed promptly. Mr. Cabell will assign some one row in the office to take charge of the imporary window, which will not be closed until after the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Whole Household Flued.

Namle, Lucy and Henry Morton and BERESLAU, PRUSSIA, December 16.

Officers Elected Last

## WILLIAMS'S BANK INQUIRY

## FRISCO MAKES COMPROMISE

Rullway and Governor Comer Agree to Rillway and Governor Comer Agree to Truce in Rate War.

BIRMINGHAM. ALA. December 16.

—At a conference here to-day between Governor B. B. Comer and Rallread Commissioner W. B. Nesi, itt and General Agent A. D. Lightner and Counsel E. K. Campbell, of the 'Frisco system, the railroad agreed to dismiss its suits against the State, put in the statutory rates and accept the same general conditions as the Seaboard is now working under, except that the Frisco is placed in the second class.

Can't afford Handicaps Change from coffee to POSTUM

You'll Know

"There's a Reason"